## ACCOUNTS OF DISBURSING OFFICERS

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Mr. Shortridge, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 8369]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 8369) to extend the period in which relief may be granted accountable officers of the War and Navy Departments, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report thereon with the recommendation that it be passed with the following amendment:

Page 1, line 9, strike out "the act of April 21, 1922," and insert in lieu thereof "this act."

This bill is merely for the reenactment and extension for a further period of two years the act of April 21, 1922, which authorized the Comptroller General to clear the accounts of disbursing officers of the Government which, due to the exigencies of the situation during the World War, were not kept in all instances in strict accordance with law. The act of April 21, 1922, was limited in its effective period to two years after the date of approval, and since the Comptroller General has been unable to complete the work of clearing these accounts this extension of time is necessary. The only amendment of the present law occurs in line 8, where the words "four years" are used instead of "two years."